

Honorable Commissioners,
I am the owner of a truly small market radio operation in Alexandria Minnesota. This is a community of just over 10,000 people, located about 120 miles northwest of Minneapolis. This is the only location in which I am involved in broadcast ownership.

I operate three stations here, and I am greatly concerned about the NPRM in regards to program recording.

First of all, I have owned this property for nearly sixteen years now, and we have never had any kind of objection filed with the FCC. Not one complaint filed regarding anything to do with our operation.

The capital investment required to comply with this ruling will be a very significant one for us and for all broadcasters who are operating in a truly small market.

I strongly urge you to consider the burden this places on small markets, where quite frankly, we are far more involved in our little communities than any major market broadcaster can be. Here is small town America, the local broadcaster touches almost everyone in the community, versus the situation in a large metro area where even the largest operator there will reach only a relatively small portion of the available audience.

Most of us in small markets would be so pleased if the FCC could see that there are huge differences between the large corporately-owned conglomerates and the small market operator.

Thank you for your consideration.

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